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**BEFORE THE  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of )  
Section 63.71 Application of )  
**Comcast Phone of Connecticut, LLC** )  
 )  
for Authority Pursuant to )  
Section 214 of the Communications )  
Act to Discontinue the Provision )  
of Residential Facilities-Based and Resold )  
Telecommunications Services in )  
Connecticut )

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION**

Comcast Phone of Connecticut, LLC d/b/a Comcast Digital Phone ("Comcast Phone"), hereby seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue its provision of interstate telecommunications services to its customers in Connecticut. In support of this Application, Comcast Phone provides the following information:

**I. Information Required by 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1) – (a)(4)**

**1. Name and Address of Carrier**

Comcast Phone of Connecticut, LLC  
1500 Market Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19102  
Attn: Brian A. Rankin

## **2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance**

Comcast Phone plans to discontinue its provision of telecommunications service in Connecticut on or after October 15, 2007, but no earlier than 31 days after the Commission releases public notice of this filing. Further, the proposed October 15, 2007 disconnection will be a "soft disconnect" only. Customers will continue to be able to call emergency services ("911") as well as the Comcast Phone call center until November 15, 2007 (or one month after the authorized disconnection date).

## **3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected**

Comcast Phone currently provides interstate (and intrastate) residential telecommunications service throughout Connecticut. Comcast Phone is following the appropriate state law for discontinuance of the applicable intrastate telecommunications services. Comcast Phone will assist affected customers during their transition to new carriers.

## **4. Description of Type of Service Affected**

The services that Comcast Phone seeks authority to discontinue pursuant to this application are: local exchange, interexchange, and international telephone services.

## **II. Notice to Customers**

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a), Comcast Phone has notified all affected customers of the planned discontinuance of service. Specifically, Comcast Phone sent letters via first class U.S. Mail to each of the affected customers on August 1, 2007, which included all the information required by 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1) – (a)(4), as well as the statement applicable to non-dominant carriers set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(5)(i). A copy of the notification letter is provided as Attachment 1.

### **III. Notice to States and the Dept. of Defense**

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. 63.71(a), Comcast Phone has mailed a copy of this Application to the Governor of Connecticut, the Connecticut Department of Public Utility Control, and the Secretary of Defense.

### **IV. Non-Dominant Status**

Comcast Phone is a non-dominant carrier in the local exchange, interstate, and interexchange services markets.

### **V. Designated Contacts**

Correspondence concerning this Application should be directed to:

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WHEREFORE, Comcast Phone of Connecticut, LLC respectfully requests that the Commission authorize it to discontinue service in the state of Connecticut on or after October 15, 2007, or 31 days after the Commission releases public notice of this filing, whichever date is earlier.

Respectfully submitted:

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Dated: August 6, 2007

**Attachment 1**  
**Sample Customer Notification Letter**



222 New Park Drive  
Berlin, CT 06037

**Español?**  
Llamar 1-800-COMCAST para  
la información importante  
sobre tu servicio telefónico.

## **YOU MUST CHOOSE A NEW LOCAL AND LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICE PROVIDER**

Dear Comcast Customer,

Thank you for being a valued Comcast Digital Phone customer. This letter is to inform you that Comcast is changing its telephone service offerings and effective on or after October 15, 2007, Comcast will no longer be providing its current Digital Phone service in your town.

**Your action is required!** Because Comcast will discontinue all Digital Phone service in your town on or after October 15, 2007, you need to select a new telephone service plan soon if you wish to retain your current telephone number and continuity of service. You must also select a new long distance provider if you use Comcast Digital Phone for your long distance service. **To best assure continued service and use of your current telephone number, you should choose a new service provider no later than October 1, 2007.**

**You continue to have a choice for local and long distance phone service and you are free to select a new provider of your choice.**

You also have the opportunity to experience the simplicity, convenience and value of our new and improved residential home phone service, **Comcast Digital Voice**. With Comcast Digital Voice service, you won't have to worry about complicated calling plans or calling rates that fluctuate based on the time of day. You'll enjoy unlimited calling to anyone, anytime, anywhere throughout Connecticut, the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico. We are confident you'll agree that Comcast Digital Voice is a simple and easy solution to your local, in-state and long distance calling needs. **Make the easy switch to Comcast Digital Voice** and start enjoying unlimited calling and the unique benefits of Comcast's service offerings today. You may transfer your current service to Comcast Digital Voice today by calling Comcast toll free at **1-866-315-3643**.

You do have the option to purchase local and long distance telephone service from other service providers in your area. A list of alternative service providers may be found in the front of your local telephone directory.

We urge you to act quickly to select Comcast Digital Voice or another new service provider in order to retain an active phone service.

The discontinuance of your Comcast Digital Phone service is subject to regulatory approval by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20054, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of Comcast Phone of Connecticut, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

### TAKE ACTION NOW

Please take immediate action to select a telephone service provider of your choice. **If you do not select another service provider (whether Comcast Digital Voice or some other provider) soon your service will be terminated on or after October 15, 2007 and you may not be able to retain your current telephone number.** Please take action now to avoid interruption in your service.

If you have any questions, please call Comcast Customer Service toll free at:  
**1-866-315-3643.**

Sincerely,



Douglas R. Guthrie  
Regional Vice President  
Connecticut-West Region

Comcast Digital Voice® offer available to residential customers only in Comcast serviceable areas (and may not be transferred), located at wired and serviceable locations. The Comcast Unlimited™ Package applies to direct-dial calls from your home to locations in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands, Guam and Saipan/N.Mariana Islands. No separate long distance carrier connection available. Plan does not include international calls. An EMTA (which may also be used for Comcast High-Speed Internet service) is required; Comcast's current monthly fee is \$3.00. Equipment fees are additional. Current monthly rate for Comcast Digital Voice varies from \$39.95-\$44.95 depending on other Comcast services subscribed to, if any. Installation offer limited to standard installation. Custom installation charges are additional. Pricing shown does not include federal, state or local taxes and fees; our Regulatory Recovery Fee, which is not a tax or government required, or other applicable charges (e.g., per-call charges or international calling). The ability to keep your current phone number may not be available in all areas. Current phone number transfer requires a rate center match. Comcast Digital Voice® service (including 911/emergency service) may not function during an extended power outage. Certain customer premises equipment may not be compatible with Comcast Digital Voice services. Detailed account summary online is available through Comcast's monthly billing and not available as a special offered feature. Services are subject to terms and conditions of Comcast's subscriber agreements and other applicable terms and conditions. Restrictions apply. Call 1-866-COMCAST or visit [www.Comcast.com](http://www.Comcast.com) for details. Comcast ©2007. All rights reserved.